## **SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS**

Kindly amend the original filed specification as follows.

Please replace the paragraph/section beginning at page 3, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

a ruler blade, having an inner end attached to the retraction unit and an outer end stopped at the guiding opening, adapted to slidably fold between a storage position and a measuring position, wherein at the storage position, the ruler blade is retracted to receive in the receiving cavity in a coil flattened configuration manner via the retraction unit, and at the measuring portion, the outer end of the ruler blade is slidably pulled to extend the ruler blade in a concave-convex configuration out of the receiving cavity through the guider opening, the ruler blade having a width in the flattened configuration thereof having a dimension within the range of 41-42mm, a height in the concave-convex configuration thereof having a dimension within the range of 9-12mm, and a thickness thereof having a dimension at least 2mm 0.2mm, as shown in Fig. 5, such that the ruler blade is capable of standing out from the tape casing with a measuring length at least 10 feet in a self-sustaining manner so as to prevent the ruler blade from buckling by its own weight.

Please replace the paragraph/section beginning at page 6, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The ruler blade 30 has a width W in the flattened configuration thereof having a dimension within the range of 41-42mm, a height H in the concave-convex configuration thereof having a dimension within the range of 9-12mm, and a thickness T thereof having a dimension at least  $\frac{2mm}{0.2mm}$ , as shown in Fig. 5, such that the ruler blade 30 is capable of standing out from the tape casing 10 with a measuring length L at least 10 feet in a self-sustaining manner so as to prevent the ruler blade 30 from buckling by its own weight. In addition, the width W<sub>1</sub> of the ruler blade 30 in the concave-convex configuration has a dimension within the range of 32-35mm.